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FM AMEMBASSY BOGOTA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 4457
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EO 11652: NA
TAGS: CASC (MISSING BEECHCRAFT)
SUBJ: MISSING BEECHCRAFT N 7775

REF: PHONE CON 21 AUG 74 ANDERSON SCS AND MCANINCH

1. THE FOLLOWING IS A RECAP OF THE SAR EFFORTS OF THE AFMSN, COLOMBIA AND THE COLOMBIAN AUTHORITIES TO LOCATE BEECHCRAFT MODEL 18, N 7775.

A. THE COLOMBIAN CIVIL AERONAUTIC ADMINISTRATION WAS CONTACTED TO CONFIRM THE LAST REPORTED POSITION OF N 7775.

B. THE COLOMBIAN NAVY SAR NET WAS ACTIVATED, ALERTING ALL COLOMBIAN SHIPS TO ASSIST IN THE SEARCH ALONG THE COLOMBIAN COAST.

C. THE COLOMBIAN AIR FORCE CHIEF OF AIR OPERATIONS AUTHORIZED A COLOMBIAN AF T-41 TO MAKE AN IN COUNTRY SEARCH OF THE REPORTED ROUTE OF FLIGHT OF N7775.

D. THE COLOMBIAN CAP WAS BRIEFED ON THE MISSING AIRCRAF AND JOINED IN THE SEARCH.

E. FIVE (5) ADDITIONAL COLOMBIAN CAP AIRCRAFT WERE SCHEDULED TO DEPART BOGOTA, COLOMBIA 16 AUGUST WITH A MEMBER OF THE AFMSN, COLOMBIA, TO ASSIST IN THE SEARCH, BUT HAD TO BE RESCHEDULED FOR THE WEEKEND OF 23 AUG DUE TO EXTREMELY POOR WEATHER CONDITIONS
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IN THE SEARCH AREA.

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F. THE AFMSN, COLOMBIA HAS BEEN IN DAILY CONTACT WITH ALBROOK RESCUE CENTER, WHICH IS THE FOCAL POINT OF THE SAR OPERATIONS AND HAS RENDERED ALL REQUESTED ASSISTANCE.

G. A MEMBER OF THE AFMSN, COLOMBIA, WAS IN THE SANTA MARTA AREA FROM 4 AUG TO 15 AUG CONFIRMING THE IDENTIFICATION OF AN AIRCRAFT WHICH CRASHED IN THIS AREA APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN (15) MONTHS AGO. HE PERSONALLY BRIEFED THE CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF MAGDALENA, WHICH ENCOMPASSES THE MAJORITY OF THE SEARCH AREA. ABOUT N775. THE POLICE CHIEF STATED HE WOULD ALERT ALL OF THE STATIONS UNDER HIS COMMAND TO ASSIST IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE TO LOCATE N 7775.

2. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THE ABOVE SAR EFFORTS ARE IN ADDITION TO USAF SAR ACTIVITIES AS DIRECTED FROM ALBROOK RESCUE CENTER, C. Z. VAKY

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